



## Interstate Access Support (IAS)

2008 - 2009

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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45  
**Interstate Access Support – IAS**  
Annual Certification Filing – West Virginia

AT&T Mobility, on behalf of its wholly owned affiliates, recently learned that it has not received interstate access support (IAS) in 2009 for providing supported service throughout its eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) designated service areas in West Virginia despite having timely filed its certification pursuant to section 54.809. 47 C.F.R. § 54.809(c). Specifically, on or before June 30, 2008 AT&T Mobility Corporation certified on behalf of Highland Cellular, LLC, American Cellular Corporation and Easterbrooke in West Virginia that IAS would only be used for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. See attached **Exhibit A** for the complete filing made on or before June 30, 2008.

### IAS – Included in June 30, 2008 Certification

Company Name As Listed by USAC	State	Study Area Code
Highland Cellular, LLC <sup>1</sup>	West Virginia	209003
American Cellular Corporation <sup>2</sup>	West Virginia	209011
Easterbrooke Cellular Corporation <sup>3</sup>	West Virginia	209006

<sup>1</sup> In October 2006 Highland Cellular was purchased by American Cellular Corporation a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dobson Communications Corporation. On November 15, 2007, Dobson Communications Corporation became a wholly-owned subsidiary of AT&T Inc. Highland Cellular remained a subsidiary of Dobson Communications Corporation following the merger with AT&T, but was converted to a limited liability company. Since November 15, 2007, Highland Cellular LLC has been managed by AT&T Mobility Corporation.

<sup>2</sup> On November 15, 2007, Dobson Communications Corporation became a wholly-owned subsidiary of AT&T Inc. American Cellular Corporation remained a subsidiary of Dobson Communications Corporation following the merger, but was converted to a limited liability company. Since November 15, 2007, American Cellular LLC has been managed by AT&T Mobility Corporation.

<sup>3</sup> On January 2, 2008, an AT&T Mobility subsidiary purchased the assets of Easterbrooke, AT&T Mobility Corporation is the manager of this entity. AT&T Mobility assumed Easterbrooke's ETC obligations as of January 2, 2008.

On August 20, 2008 in PSC Case No. 08-0620-T-PC, an administrative law judge of the West Virginia Public Service Commission issued a recommended decision that became a final order on August 30, 2008, approving the transfer of ETC status of Highland Cellular, Inc., American Cellular Corporation, and Easterbrooke Corporation to New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, dba AT&T Mobility.

While AT&T Mobility does not know why USAC has failed to issue it IAS payments in 2009 for West Virginia, perhaps USAC was unaware that, at the time of the submission of the IAS certification for 2008 – 2009, Highland Cellular, American Cellular, and the assets of Easterbrooke Cellular were already under the control of AT&T Mobility LLC, which is managed by AT&T Mobility Corporation, and, thus, AT&T Mobility was authorized to certify on behalf of these entities. USAC also may have been unaware of the West Virginia Commission's approval to transfer the ETC status of these affiliates to New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC. While AT&T Mobility continues to believe that its timely filed IAS certification remains valid and no waiver of the Commission's filing deadline is necessary, out of an abundance of caution, AT&T Mobility is submitting this certification on behalf of the entity that Highland Cellular, American Cellular Corporation and the assets of Easterbrooke Cellular merged into, New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC dba AT&T Mobility.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the entity listed below. AT&T Mobility will only use IAS support for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

Company Name	State	Study Area Code
New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC	West Virginia	209012

Signed,

  
(Signature of Authorized Representative)

Date: March 31, 2009

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